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IN VACATION.

Self Conviction by Jury.—In western Georgia a jury recently met to inquire into a case of suicide. After sitting through the evidence, the twelve men retired, and after cogitating returned with the following verdict: "The jury are all of one mind—temporarily insane." —Ex.

Class Room Law.—Professor.—"What duty does a railroad owe to a trespasser on the track?"

Law Student.—"The last clear chance."

Professor.—"To do what?"

Law Student.—"To get off the track."

BOOK REVIEWS.

All book reviews are by the Editor-in-Chief unless otherwise expressly stated.

A Treatise on the Law of Personal Property—By James Schouler, L. L. D., Ex-Professor in the Boston University Law School, and Author of Treatises "Wills, Executors and Administrators," "The Domestic Relations," "Bailments, Including Carriers," 5th Edition. Albany, New York. Matthew Bender & Company, Incorporated. 1918. Price \$—.

This work of Mr. Schouler's has been so long before the public and in such constant use, that it seems almost a work of superrerogation to say a word in its praise. But the subject has developed so much since the fourth edition that we deem it not improper to say that this new edition has brought the law upon the subject up to the very latest pronouncement, and we know of no book which at the present time can take its place. Mr. Scouler has known how to combine clearness and conciseness, and it is remarkable with what ability he has combined these two characteristics in a volume which could have been easily swelled to double the size. Any lawyer consulting it can rest assured that he need go no further, as far as a text book is concerned.

The Lawyers' Reports Annotated. 1917F. Burdett A. Rich, Henry P. Farnham and George H. Parmele, Editors, Assisted by the Publishers' Editorial Staff. The Lawyers' Co-operative Publishing Company, Rochester, New York. 1918. Price \$5.00.

As usual, we find this volume in every way worthy of its predecessors. The first note upon the Contributory Negligence of Children

covers 154 pages and is really an admirable treatise on the subject. It is followed by four other cases, and on page 172 there is a valuable annotation as to, "Circumstances under Which Child Crossing Street Car Track Is Guilty of Negligence, Either as a Matter of Law or Fact." And this is followed by a note on "Contributory Negligence of Children on and about Elevators." On page 310 there is an extended note on "The Right of An Officer of a Corporation, In Absence of Special Contract, to Compensation for Services to Corporation." Automobile owners will be interested in the note on page 384 as to the "Liability of The Owner for Intrusting An Automobile to An Incompetent Person." In view of the passage by our State Legislature, the note on page 524 as to the "Constitutionality of Blue Sky Laws" will prove of importance. Our "fans" will be interested in the note on page 842 as to the "Assignment or Release of the Right to a Third Person's Services." The Turntable Cases are viewed in a rather singular aspect in the note on page 1036 upon "Fire as An Attractive Nuisance." Two cases from Virginia, "*United Cigarette Machine Company v. Brown*" and "*Baker v. Berry Hill Mineral Springs Company*," are reported in the present volume and annotated briefly.

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